GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR LOK SABHA

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of employment opportunities created as a result of new economic reforms during the current financial year; and
- (b) the number of employment opportunities targeted under the new economic reforms during the next financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL)

- a) Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through Labour Force Surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) from time to time. After the commencement of economic reforms in 1991, NSSO has conducted surveys in 1993-94 and 1999-2000. As per the these surveys, number of employed persons in the country which was of the order of 37.45 crore in 1993-94 has gone up to around 39.7 crore as per Usual Principal and Subsidiary Status Approach. Owing to Globalisation and economic liberalization, some employment opportunities in the older type of enterprises might have been reduced due to declining efficiency. However, at the same time, new employment opportunities are created in a number of new areas such as Information Technology, Tourism, Financial Services, etc.
- b) A special group has been constituted in the Planning Commission to suggest measures for creation of ten million employment opportunities in each year of the Tenth Five Year Plan.